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TYLER, TEXAS

June 25th, 1927.

Mr. J. C. Collier,
Barnesville, Ga.

Dear Mr. Collier:

Yours of the 15th received requesting information on conditions of the cotton crop in this part of the country.

In reply I am enclosing a Bulletin gotten out by the Southern Cotton Company and Cotton Exporters of Dallas, Texas which firm bears a reputation in this part of the country as being much more accurate than the government reports. Weather conditions have been much more favorable for the growth of cotton for the past two weeks than is contained in this Bulletin of May 20th. The Boll Weevils have already made their appearance in this part of the country, and the yieldof cotton will depend to a large extent on the ravage of the Boll Weevil, however, with proper dusting and favorable weather we believe that we can turn this menace to a large extent. It is hard to make a prediction on a cotton crop until after it has been ginned.

Jim Collier was up about a couple of weeks ago and made inquiry as to when you expected to come back to Texas. He also stated that the conditions around Jacksonville were good. Jacksonville has two oil wells at the present time with considerable activity all ower the county. Several large oil companies are leasing and testing the whole of Smith County. It is possible and the indications point that way that we have a very large oil field in and adjacent to Smith County. Of course due to the price of crude oil the large companies are going to curb production as much as possible. As a majority of the people here are confident that unless some wild-catter succeeds in developing a good well that none of the major companies will do any drilling for possibly a year or more, however, they are leasing and holding all of the land that they can get.

Mother is in Tenneesee visiting her brother at the present time. I received a letter from her a few days ago stating not to write her any more until we heard from her again. Evidently from this letter she will be home in a few days.

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